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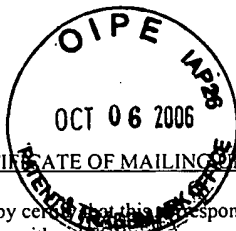
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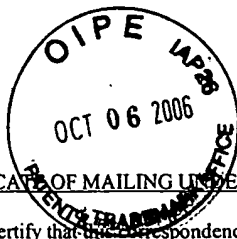
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21. (Original) The modular patient care system of claim 19, said hinge connector pair comprising:

a male hinge connector on either of said first or second modules, said male hinge connector having a first and second set of electrical contacts formed thereon; and

a female hinge connector on the other of said first or second modules for hingeably engaging said male hinge connector, said female hinge connector having a third and fourth set of electrical contacts formed thereon configured and dimensioned to connect to said first and second set of electrical contacts, respectively, upon hingeable engagement of said hinge connector pair;

whereby said first and second modules become electrically engaged upon becoming structurally engaged.

22. (Original) The modular patient care system of claim 21, wherein said electrical contacts are configured and dimensioned such that said first and third sets of electrical contacts connect before said second and fourth sets of electrical contacts connect during engagement of said first and second modules, and such that said first and third sets of electrical contacts disconnect after said second and fourth sets of electrical contacts disconnect during disengagement of said first and second modules.

23. (Original) The modular patient care system of claim 20, further comprising a fastener for affixing said latch tongue within said catch feature, said fastener being configured and dimensioned such that a special fastener tool is required to release said fastener from said latch tongue,

whereby when said fastener has affixed said latch tongue, said first and second modules remain permanently engaged until said fastener is released from said latch tongue using said special fastener tool.

24. (Original) The modular patient care system of claim 19, said modules each having a front, a back, and sides, said first and second modules defining a pair when engaged, said guide mechanism comprising:

a male elevation feature protruding from one of said first or second modules;

a female recess feature in the other of said first or second modules;

wherein said male elevation feature is chamfered and said female recess feature is shaped for corresponding lead-in to provide guidance of said modules during engagement.

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